



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NOBUKO YAMAMOTO, et al.

Application No.: 09/942,596

Filed: August 31, 2001

For: METHOD FOR ANALYZING
BASE SEQUENCE OF
NUCLEIC ACID

) Examiner: J. N. Fredman

) Group Art Unit: 1637

) Monday, September 19, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2005, for three months from June 18, 2005, to Monday, September 19, 2005.

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September 19, 2005
Date of Signature

Submitted herewith is a check for \$1,020.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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